

Element Performance Inspection (EPI)

7.2.1 Safety Program (Ground and Flight) (OP)

Purpose of this Element (Air Carrier's responsibility):

To provide the culture and resources necessary to ensure continuous safety improvement.

Objective (FAA responsibility):

To determine that the processes contained in the Air Carrier's Safety Program (Ground and Flight) produce the desired results.

Specific Instructions for this EPI:

To accomplish this EPI, the inspector should familiarize himself/herself with the Safety Program (Ground and Flight).

Task 4: Appropriate personnel may include employees or representatives from management and contractors.

Task 5: To accomplish this EPI, the inspector should observe a safety meeting. The inspector should conduct observations of the Air Carrier's operations to determine if safe practices are being followed.

Related EPIs: The Safety Program relates to all other elements.

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To meet this objective, the inspector will accomplish the following tasks (at the inspection locations where applicable):

1. Review the FAA Guidance and Specific Regulatory Requirements (SRR) included in the supplemental information section of this EPI.
2. Review the associated SAI, with emphasis on the Controls Attribute section.
3. Review policies and procedures related to the Safety Program (Ground and Flight).
4. Discuss the processes contained in the Safety Program (Ground and Flight) with appropriate personnel.
5. Observe personnel using the Safety Program (Ground and Flight).
6. Observe and assess appropriate records.

To meet this objective, the inspector will answer the following questions:

1. Were the following performance measures met:

1.1 Does the safety incident/accident reporting system provide reports as specified by the Air Carrier's Safety Program?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	If no, explain:
1.2 Are all accidents/incidents investigated in a timely manner?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	If no, explain:
1.3 Are safety audits/inspections conducted as specified by the Air Carrier's Safety Program?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	If no, explain:
1.4 Is an Internal Evaluation Program (IEP) utilized?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	If no, explain:
1.5 Is an Operational Risk Assessment Program utilized?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	If no, explain:
1.6 Is an Open Reporting System utilized? (e.g. evaluation of employee/contractor generated safety concerns, deficiency reports, and improvement recommendations)	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	If no, explain:
1.7 Are routine monitoring and trend analysis programs utilized?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	If no, explain:
1.8 Are results from external evaluation programs reviewed?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	If no, explain:
1.9 Does the safety committee meet as specified by the Air Carrier's Safety Program?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	If no, explain:

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1.10 <i>Is the emergency response plan current?</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> YES If no, explain: <input type="checkbox"/> NO
1.11 <i>Are employees/contractors provided with safety awareness information?</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> YES If no, explain: <input type="checkbox"/> NO
1.12 <i>Are employees/contractors provided with safety education?</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> YES If no, explain: <input type="checkbox"/> NO
2. Were the written procedures adhered to for the Safety Program (Ground and Flight)?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES If no, explain: <input type="checkbox"/> NO
3. Were the identified controls adhered to for the Safety Program (Ground and Flight)?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES If no, explain: <input type="checkbox"/> NO

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

SRRs:

- Title 49 USC, Subtitle VII, Part A, Subpart III, Chap. 447, Sect. 44701(d)(1)(A), “Considerations and Classification of Regulations and Standards.”
- 14 CFR 119.65 (a, d, e), “Management personnel required for operations conducted under Part 121 of this chapter.”

Other CFRs and FAA Guidance:

- HBAW 00-08/HBAW 00-07 “Establishment of Aviation Safety Action Programs (ASAP)”
- HBAW 99-19 and HBAW 99-16, “14 CFR Part 121 and 135 Air Carrier Safety Departments, Programs, and the Director of Safety.”
- FAA Order 8740.1, “as amended”, “Safety Program Manager Handbook.”
- Refer to Advisory Circulars using a search engine (such as ATP Navigator or Summit).